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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



Prices in Chicago advanced 1 cent on mediums and continued unchanged on the larger sizes. In all other areas, prices were unchanged. The market tone was mostly steady entering the weekend. Demand was usually in a range of moderate to good. Supplies were fully adequate to tight with mediums in the least available position. Breaking stock supplies were about adequate to available for the fair to instances fairly good demand. Light type hens were fully sufficient for the fair to moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE

EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Iowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin producer prices increased 1 cent for medium. Other reported prices unchanged. Trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail demand was fairly good to good with features moving the most product. Food service movement mostly moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for current needs. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades lower. Offerings were adequate to available for the mostly fair to at times fairly good demand. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady at the current quoted mostly value.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	65-72	67-69
LARGE	63-71	65-69
MEDIUM	51-57	54-57

**IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN** PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS

	RANGE
LARGE	48-52
MEDIUM	36-40
SMALL	12-16

MW AREA: IA,IL,IN,KY,MI,MN,OH,NE,ND,SD,WI,WV, WESTERN NY & WESTERN PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady entering the weekend. Demand ranged moderate to good, best where features were in progress or planned next week for the upcoming holiday. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate on the larger sizes and occasionally tight for medium eggs. Breaking stock offerings from regular suppliers were about sufficient for the moderate demand. Breaking schedules were usually normal for next week. Light type fowl were fully sufficient for the fair to moderate demand. Processing schedules for the upcoming week were reported as regular to reduced.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69-84	72-75
LARGE	66-81	71-75
MEDIUM	55-67	57-59

NE AREA: CT,DC,DE,MA,MD,ME,NH,EASTERN NJ,EASTERN PA,RI, NORTHERN VA & VT

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices unchanged. Trade sentiment mostly steady. Cartoned egg sales were fairly good with feature still providing the best interest. Loose egg movement was mostly moderate. Supplies were usually adequate to fully adequate for current needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	73-82
LARGE	71-80
MEDIUM	55-64

SC AREA: AR,AZ,CO,KS,LA,MO,NM,OK AND TX

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was mostly steady entering the weekend. Demand was moderate to good, best where features were in progress or planned for next week. Supplies were adequate to tight for current requirements. Breaking stock demand was moderate for about sufficient supplies. Light type hens were fully sufficient for the fair to moderate demand. Processing schedules were reported as normal to less than normal.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE	69.5-77	71-74
LARGE	68-75	69-72
MEDIUM	53-61	54-58

SE AREA: AL,FL,GA,MS,NC,SC,EASTERN TN AND SOUTHERN VA

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE

EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN

**CHICAGO** Prices for large and extra large unchanged, mediums advanced 1 cent. The trade sentiment was mostly steady. Retail and food service demand was light to moderate. Supplies are mixed.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	71-77
LARGE	69-75
MEDIUM	57-63

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged. The market tone was generally steady entering the weekend. Retail and distributive demand was moderate to good, best where features were in progress or planned for next week. Supplies were adequate to occasionally tight for trade needs.

	RANGE
EXTRA LARGE	80-84
LARGE	78-82
MEDIUM	67-71

**WESTERN** Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week were 1 cent lower on jumbo, unchanged on extra large and large, 2 cents higher on medium throughout the region. Retailer demand seasonally good, best to cover features. Offerings mainly adequate.

**CALIFORNIA EGGS** Prices were unchanged. Asking prices for next week 1 cent lower on jumbo, unchanged on extra large and large, 2 cents higher on medium and small. Retailer demand was seasonally good. Offerings about adequate. Small benchmark price 69. Ads in Southern California: major - extra large 20 pack 299, large 18 pack 2 for \$3; smaller outlets - large dozen 78-99, medium dozen 89, 2 for \$1, small 30 pack 188.

**CALIFORNIA:** California Egg Marketing Association and other marketers benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

	RANGE
JUMBO	113
EXTRA LARGE	108
LARGE	105
MEDIUM	89

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:** PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	96-103
EXTRA LARGE	94-98
LARGE	92-95
MEDIUM	76-79

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE
JUMBO	259-319
EXTRA LARGE	249-319
LARGE	209-219
MEDIUM	189-199

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades 2 cents lower. Offerings were adequate or available with demand mostly fair to instances fairly good. Bids for additional heavy nest runs continued at lower trending values with most sellers refusing. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment steady at the current quoted mostly value.

PRICES PAID, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB, MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	38-42	39-41
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	27-32	
CENTRAL STATES AREA:		
AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI		

**EASTERN REGION BREAKING STOCK** Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to early week trading. The undertone was mostly steady as traders assess pre-holiday needs. Offerings were limited, but about sufficient from regular suppliers. Floor stocks were adequate for generally normal breaking schedules. Demand was moderate. Cases broken under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending 05 April 2003 were 7% higher than last week, and 5% more than a year ago.

PRICES PAID, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

	RANGE	MOSTLY
NEST RUN	35-40	36-38
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	22-34	23-27
EASTERN REGION AREA:		
AL,CT,DE,FL,GA,KY,ME,MD,MA,MS,NH,NJ,NY,NC,PA,RI,SC,TN,VT,VA,WV		

#### EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION -

W/E 05-Apr-03

(LBS IN THOUSANDS) (EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES BROKEN	LIQUID WHOLE	LIQUID WHITE	LIQUID YOLK	DRIED	INED
CW	1,104,923	27,129	10,036	5,181	1,721	4,133
PW	1,089,488	27,577	9,448	5,344	1,868	4,080
LY	1,213,905	28,637	12,093	6,419	2,478	4,329
% CHG PW	1	-2	6	-3	-8	1
% CHG LY	-9	-5	-17	-19	-31	-5
2003	15,557,334	376,020	141,816	78,319	33,529	57,761
2002	15,610,709	359,343	156,044	83,028	36,571	56,885
% CHG YTD	0	5	-9	-6	-8	2
	CURRENT		PREVIOUS		LAST	
AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -	WEEK		WEEK		YEAR	
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.07		42.63		42.41	
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.32		38.89		38.84	

**NATIONAL LIQUID** Pasteurized salt yolk reported from 54 to 59 cents fob with pasteurized whites too few to report. Trade sentiment was mostly steady for all liquid products. Offerings were usually adequate with whites adequate to instances barely adequate as the week came to a close. Demand was mostly hand to mouth as buyers appeared to be waiting for the Easter holiday to pass. Breaking schedules were full-time to instances longer with breaking stock prices lower when compared to last week's reported prices.

Prices paid cents per lb., FOB Plant to 10:00AM Friday 11 April, 2003 non-pasteurized trucklot. For delivery within 14 days.

CLASS	LOADS	RANGE	WTD. AVG.	CHANGE FROM LAST WEEK
WHOLE	8	38-40.5	40.00	.33
WHITES	24	24.5-28.5	25.90	.38
YOLKS	8	53-60	56.63	.07

**EASTERN REGION FROZEN** Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to previous week's trading. The undertone was generally steady. Demand was light to occasionally moderate. Offerings were usually sufficient on most items. Liquid and frozen eggs (ingredients included) processed under federal inspection in the Eastern region for the week ending April 05, 2003 were 7% more than last week, and unchanged when compared to a year ago.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER LB IN 30 LB CONTAINERS)		TRUCKLOTS (MIN. 25 CONT.)		LTL
	RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	
WHOLE	47-54	47-50		56-60
BLENDS (/)	TFEWR			63-85
WHITES	35-39	36-39		41-46
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	68-75	70-73		77-87
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	62-70	66-69		73-90

(/) - WHOLE PLUS YOLK PLUS SWEETENER, GENERALLY 28-32% EGG SOLIDS.

**CENTRAL REGION FROZEN** Frozen whole egg and sugared yolk prices ranged unchanged to 1 cent lower with salted yolk unchanged and white pricing irregular when compared to last week's reported prices. Trade sentiment was steady to mostly steady for all frozen products. Offerings were adequate with demand rated as usually quiet or inactive for spot sales of frozen. Breaking stock prices were lower when compared to last week's reported prices.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES (CENTS PER POUND IN 30 LB CONTAINERS)

	TRUCKLOTS	
	RANGE	MOSTLY
WHOLE	47-50	48-50
WHITES	37-39	
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	69-74	71-73
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	66-69	

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA FROZEN** Prices were unchanged. Southern California breaking activity for the week ending March 5th was 15 percent more than the previous week. Frozen demand improved seasonally with freezer stocks adequate.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, FOB SHIPPING POINT (CENTS PER LB IN 30 LB CONT.)		LTL (MIN. 25 CONT.)
	RANGE	
WHOLE	54-57	
WHITES	41-44	
SUGARED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	77-80	
SALTED YOLKS (MIN 43% SOLIDS)	73-76	

**NATIONAL DRIED EGG REPORT** Mostly prices were unchanged when compared to previous week's trading. Movement was fairly good, however new trading was light as most purchases were on an as need basis. Trade sentiment was mostly in a range of steady to fully steady. Dried eggs processed under federal inspection for the week ending April 05, 2003 were 8% less than the previous week, and 31% lower than a year ago. Total to date dried egg produced were 8% less than last year.

WHOLESALE SELLING PRICES, DOLLARS PER LB, IN CONT., TRUCKLOT & LESS-THAN-TRUCKLOT VOLUMES.

WHOLE	1.67-1.95	MOSTLY 1.72-1.85
YOLKS	1.55-2.05	MOSTLY 1.65-1.75
ALBUMEN, SPRAY, DRIED	2.65-3.00	MOSTLY 2.70-2.85
BLENDS (WHOLE PLUS SWEETENER)	1.28-1.45	MOSTLY 1.35-1.40

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR APRIL 4, 2003-APRIL 10, 2003

**CURRENT LOADS** 86.75 **FUTURE LOADS** 66.75 **TOTAL LOADS** 153.50

		SE		NE		MW				SC		NW		SW			
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS		
GNR W 1	49.25	53.40	49.75	51.14	51.33	51.40	37.00	GNR W XL	—	53.00	—	—	—	—	2.00		
GNR W 2	—	—	—	—	—	—	3.00	GNR W 1	55.00	56.00	—	—	—	59.70	12.00		
GL W J	—	—	—	—	54.05	—	5.75	GNR W 2	—	50.00	—	—	—	—	3.00		
GL W XL	—	65.13	63.83	65.37	60.22	—	45.25	GNR W 3	39.33	40.33	—	—	—	—	3.00		
GL W LG	66.25	66.57	59.75	62.45	61.25	59.00	38.00	GL W J	59.00	—	—	—	—	65.00	5.75		
GL W MD	—	66.00	51.83	51.80	43.00	50.00	10.50	GL W XL	62.13	66.00	—	—	—	72.28	22.25		
GL W SM	—	—	30.30	31.80	—	—	5.00	GL W LG	59.50	67.47	—	—	—	70.76	18.75		
NRBS - 48	—	—	—	—	38.50	41.78	46.00	GL W MD	48.00	53.00	—	—	—	52.00	4.50		
NRBS - 39	—	—	20.00	22.00	17.00	32.00	4.25	GL W SM	28.00	—	—	—	—	33.00	2.00		
								NRBS - 39	—	23.00	—	—	—	—	2.00		

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT-MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

### LIGHT TYPE HENS

CENTS PER HEAD, GENERALLY FOR REMOVAL WITHIN THE NEXT 10 DAYS (INCLUDES HANDLING, FREIGHT AND ANY OTHER CHARGES, WEIGHTS AVERAGE ABOUT 3.50 POUNDS)

**EASTERN REGION** Removal values were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Offerings of spent hens were fully sufficient for trade needs. Demand was fair to moderate. Processing schedules were reported as normal to less than normal. Opinions on removal cost were mostly steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-8	5-6

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Offerings of leghorn hens were fully adequate for a slow demand. Costs of salvage were generally unchanged from the past week. Schedules were as desired. Values were viewed as unchanged.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	TOO FEW TO REPORT	

**NORTH CENTRAL LIGHT LIVE HEN** Values ranged unchanged to higher. Demand was light to instances moderate with offerings fully adequate to occasionally heavy. Many producers were clearing spent fowl in the next few weeks after the Easter holiday passes. Opinions of value were steady to fully steady.

	RANGE	MAJORITY
REMOVAL COST	0-8.5	3.0-6

**WEST COAST LIGHT LIVE HEN** Plants worked moderate slaughter schedules. Offerings were light to adequate.

**SHELL EGGS-COMBINED REGIONAL** FOR W/E 11-Apr-03  
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A  
LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED  
WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	73.50	73.00	58.00
SOUTHEAST	72.50	70.50	56.00
MIDWEST	68.00	67.00	55.50
SOUTH CENTRAL	77.50	75.50	59.50
COMBINED REGIONAL	73.11	71.71	57.37

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY REGIONAL AREA POPULATIONS

**NATIONAL CANNER FOWL MARKET** Majority prices were generally unchanged on both light and heavy canners when compared to a week earlier. Demand ranged fair to good. Trading was mostly light. Offerings were in close balance to tight and clearing satisfactorily at most locations. The undertone was at least steady.

CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, WITHOUT FREIGHT COST

LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
20-25 MAJORITY 22.5-23	29-35 MAJORITY 31-32
CENTS PER POUND, CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS, FREIGHT COST INCLUDED	
LIGHT CANNER HENS (LINE RUN WITHOUT NECKS)	HEAVY CANNER HENS (WITHOUT NECKS)
22-26.5 MAJORITY 24.75-25	31.5-37 MAJORITY 33-34

**LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER INSPECTION** W/E 05-Apr-03  
(PRELIMINARY)

### U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED DOMESTICALLY

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TTL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	1,801	1,347	3,148
LAST WEEK	1,980	1,391	3,371
SAME WEEK YR AGO	1,982	1,263	3,245
TO-DATE/2003	23,184	18,789	41,973
TO-DATE/2002	25,302	18,021	43,323

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TTL HENS
	THOUSANDS		
HEAD	331	0	331
LAST WEEK	239	0	239
SAME WEEK YR AGO	247	0	247
TO-DATE/2003	4,222	53	4,275
TO-DATE/2002	4,751	20	4,771

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, PLTRY DEVELOPMENT DIV.

### TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TTL HENS
HEAD	2,132	1,347	3,479
LAST WEEK	2,219	1,391	3,610
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,229	1,263	3,492
TO-DATE/2003	27,406	18,842	46,248
TO-DATE/2002	30,053	18,041	48,094

SOURCE: USDA/AMS PLTRY PROGRAMS, MRKT NEWS BR.

**Inspected Egg Products-U.S. & Canada Export/Import Trade****U.S. Exports to Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending March 29, 2003		Year-To-Date	
	2003	2002/1	2003
Liquid	202	352	2,333
Frozen	0	0	0
Dried	0	0	135
Total	202	352	2,468

**U.S. Imports From Canada, in Pounds (000) (Preliminary)**

Week Ending March 29, 2003		Year-To-Date	
	2003	2002/1	2003
Liquid	124	114	1,505
Frozen	113	90	1,080
Dried	40	147	167
Total	277	351	2,752

**Inspected Shell Eggs****U.S Exports To Canada, In 30-Dozen Cases (Preliminary)**

Week Ending March 29, 2003		Year-To-Date	
	2003	2002 /1	2003
Jumbo	76	0	76
Extra Large	750	0	990
Large	60	1,700	5,653
Medium	2,594	1,350	12,252
Ungraded	0	4,950	1,470
Misc	630	0	2,412
Total	4,110	8,000	22,853

/1 Comparable Week, to-date figures may not total due to rounding.

Source: USDA/AMS Poultry Programs, Market News Branch in cooperation with Agriculture Canada, Poultry Development Division.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS - (INCL GOVT STOCKS)****SELECTED STGE CENTERS (IN THOUSANDS)**

		FREGS	TURKS	POP
		LBS	LBS	LBS
AM	04/07/03	2,629	194,464	61,836
AM	03/01/03	2,772	174,509	68,879
CHG		-143	19,955	-7,043
PCT CHG		-5%	11%	-10%

Based on the historical relationship of the preliminary U.S. Cold Storage holdings report of February 28, 2003 and the selected centers storage report, the expected U.S. holdings on April 1, 2003 are:

FROZEN EGGS	14	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
TURKEYS	521	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%
POULTRY	610	MIL LBS PLUS OR MINUS	5%

**MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS**

W/E 05-Apr-2003

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT CHG	
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	21.5	22.1	-3	20
BOSTON	3.5	3.3	6	-3
CHICAGO	59.1	53.9	10	32
DETROIT	23.2	33.5	-31	17
KANSAS CITY	10.8	4.3	151	57
LOS ANGELES	81.2	84.6	-4	10
NEW ORLEANS	12.6	14.1	-11	6
NEW YORK	31.0	31.3	-1	0
ST. LOUIS	17.1	18.3	-7	0
SAN FRANCISCO	22.2	21.8	2	6
TOTAL	282.2	287.2	-2	14
4 WK MVG AVG	280.0			

**COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT**

W/E 05-Apr-03

**(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)**

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM	
		PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	219.9	-2	-4
E.N. CENTRAL	577.0	3	16
W.N. CENTRAL	307.0	3	20
S. ATLANTIC	208.2	2	14
S. CENTRAL	105.4	6	26
WEST	194.4	-1	8
TOTAL	1611.9	2	13
MATCHED PLANTS REPORTING		86	86

**NEW ENGLAND WEEKLY SHELL EGG REPORT**

08-Apr-2003

PRICES PAID PER DOZEN GRADE A BROWN EGGS IN CARTONS DELIVERED STORE DOOR.

	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM	SMALL
MAINE	127	120	92	53
MOSTLY	-	-	-	-
NEW HAMPSHIRE	121-125	113-117	85-89	46-50
MOSTLY	123-124	115-116	87-88	48-49
RHODE ISLAND	126-130	119-123	91-95	52-56
MOSTLY	126	119	91	52
VERMONT	130	120-123	89-95	-
MOSTLY	-	123	95	-

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**U.S. MONTHLY INVENTORY OF DRIED EGG SOLIDS AS OF MARCH 31, 2003**  
**COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS**

<b>CLASS</b>	<b>NUMBER OF POUNDS LAST MONTH</b>	<b>% CHANGE LAST YEAR</b>	<b>% CHANGE</b>
<b>WHOLE</b>			
PLAIN	1,494,730	-0	55
FREE FLOWING	4,557,847	5	63
BLEND	1,615,770	-17	41
<b>WHITE</b>			
(ALBUMEN)	8,136,548	-19	-18
BLEND	201,500	4	57
<b>YOLK</b>			
PLAIN	2,218,358	70	162
BLEND	86,950	0	88
FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE)	4,610,733	-2	65
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>22,922,436</b>	<b>-5</b>	<b>23</b>

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION:  
MARCH 2, 2003 - MARCH 29, 2003  
TOTAL 7,702,000 POUNDS.

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Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.  
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